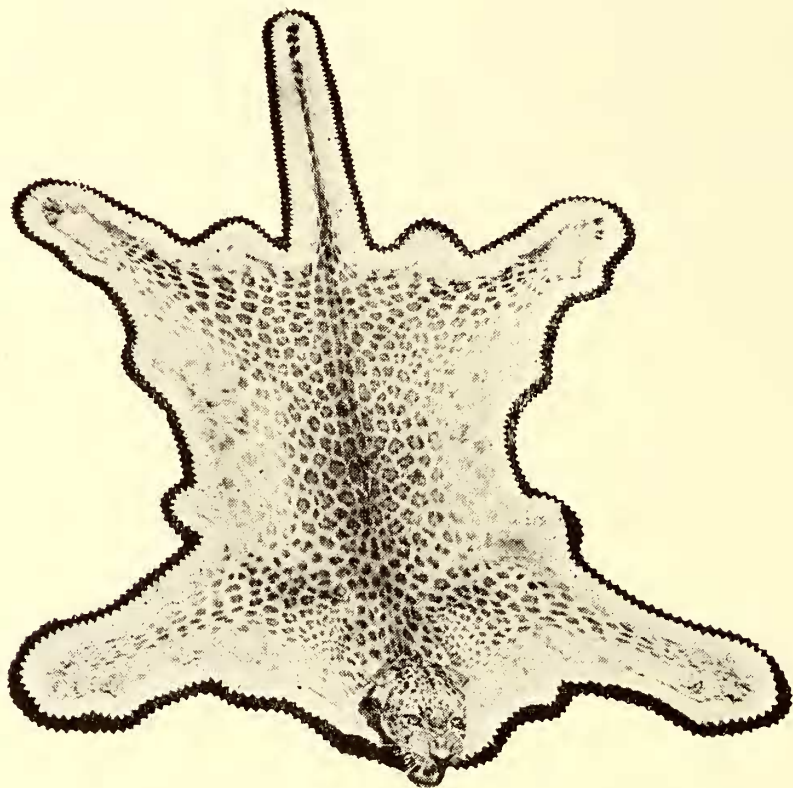


MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

I.—VARIATION IN COLOUR OF TIGERS AND PANTHERS.

(With two photos).

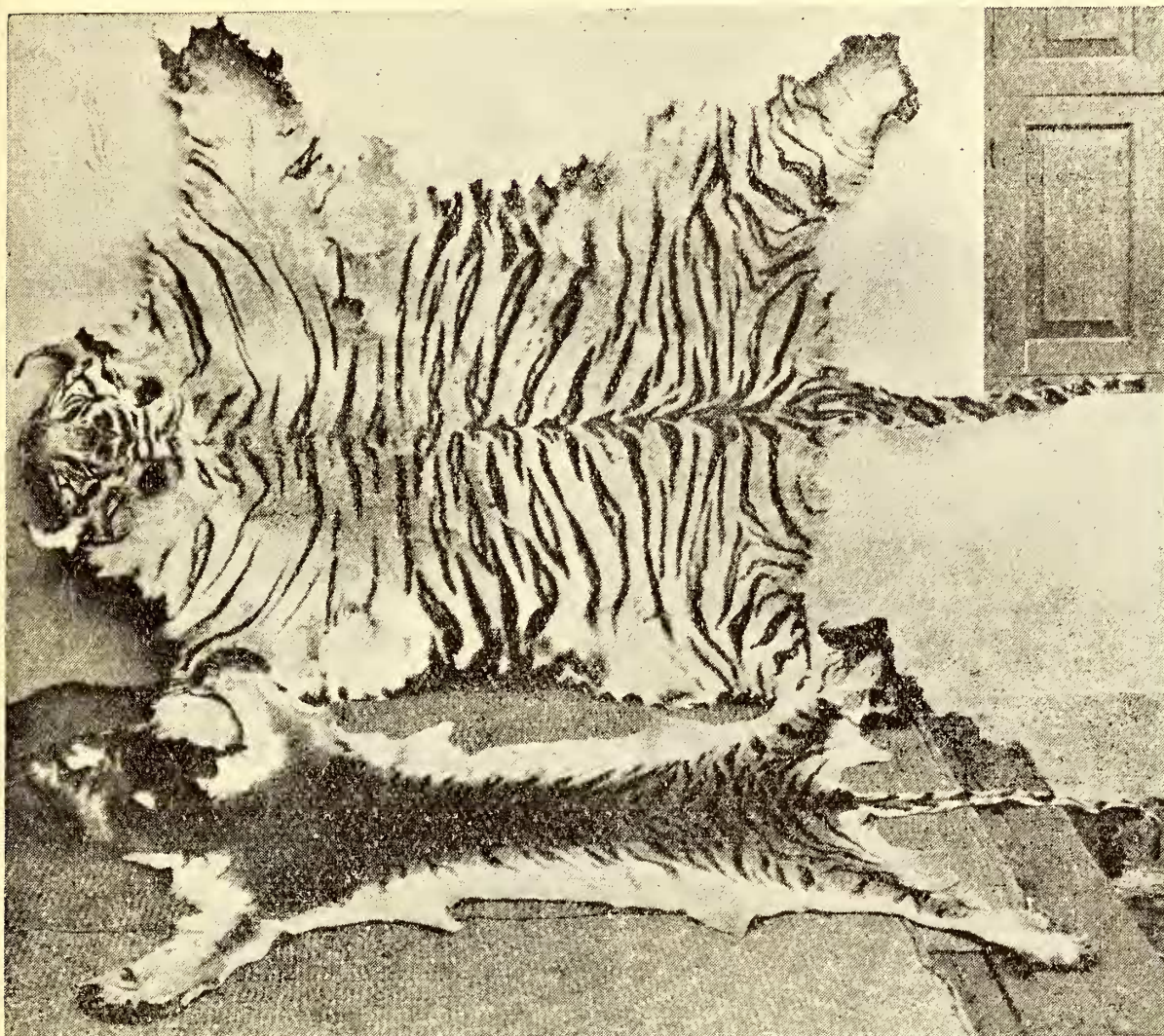
We are sending you two photographs which we think you will find of sufficient interest to publish in the *Journal*. One is a photograph of a Semi-Albino panther and the other is a unique photograph of a red tigress skin together with a white tiger.



Panthers unlike tigers have no tendency to albinism and except for an instance cited by Mr. Pocock in his account in the *Journal* of panthers, white panthers are unknown. The photograph is of a Semi-Albino panther which was shot last year by the Maharaja Bahadur of Dumraon in Bihar. This panther is white with a pale tan background and rosettes in a darker shade of tan.

The red tigress in the foreground was shot some years ago in Assam by the late Mr. W. G. Forbes. The skin was white with the pale tan background and marked with fine stripes in a

darker shade of tan. Curiously the three last stripes at the tip of the tail were black.



The white tiger shown in comparison was pure white and marked with chocolaté stripes. This tiger was shot by the Ruling Chief of Korea also some years ago.

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II.—UNUSUAL BEHAVIOUR OF PANTHERS AND TIGERS.

In your August 1939 issue appeared a note by Col. R. W. Burton under the caption 'Unusual behaviour of Panthers and Tigers'. In this Col. Burton remarks that he has never known of, nor seen recorded, previously the association of a half-grown animal with the very small cub of a later litter and its parents.

In March 1921 Mr. A. S. Vernay and I sat up over a panther kill for two evenings in succession on my Honnametti Estate on the Billigirirangan Hills, S. India. A family of 6 panthers visited the kill—the two parents, two half-grown and two little cubs. The